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Dear Examiner Blackner,

Enclosed are corrected pages 2 and 3. Your approval of just submitting these pages instead of a new amendment.

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5,385, 109, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Page 8, lines 10-24, the specification reads as follows:

Other objects, features and advantages of the present invention will become apparent upon reference to the following description of the preferred embodiments and to the drawings, wherein corresponding reference characters indicate corresponding parts in the drawings and wherein:

FIG. 1 is a fragmented perspective view of a preferred embodiment of the dispenser of the present invention without the connecting mechanism for attachment to a torpedo;

FIG. 2 is a perspective front view of the dispenser shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is a front and side perspective view of the dispenser of FIG. 2 incorporating the bumper of the present invention;

FIG. 4 is a cutaway side elevational view of a torpedo in which the TMD assembly shown in FIG. 3 is engaged; and

FIG. 5 is an enlarged view of a portion of FIG. 4.

Page 9, line 2 through line 25, the specification reads as follows:

Referring to FIGS. 1-2, a dispenser 10 includes receptacle 12, and a partitioning insert 14 for storing an elongated

flexible hose 16 with an internal conductor or conductors as a multi-turn, multi-layer coil. The restraining bands 18 and 20 complete the dispenser 10. These components are mounted together coaxially about a deployment axis 22 that is generally horizontal in a submarine application. The receptacle 12 includes a cylindrical hub 24 that contains, within cylindrical wall 26 and an end wall 28, various mounting hardware for connection to a torpedo. Base plate 30 extends radially from one end of the hub 24 to support a cylindrical shell 32 that is concentric with and spaced from the cylindrical wall 26. The partitioning insert 14 is molded or cast with an annular base 34 that attaches or butts the base plate 30. The partitioning insert 14 also includes four finger sets 36, 38, 40 and 42, perpendicular to and extending from base 34 in a direction parallel to axis 22 and spaced approximately 90° about axis 22. Each of the finger sets includes a radial inner finger 44, intermediate fingers 46 and 48 and a radial outer finger 50. Each finger has, for example, a base portion 52, an intermediate portion 54, and a free end 56. An arcuate extension 58 is positioned between the base portion 52 and a base portion of an adjacent finger. There are no extensions between finger sets 40 and 42 as this area constitutes a transition area 60 in which the flexible hose 16 can transfer smoothly between adjacent channels

Page 10, line 13 through page 11, line 2, the specification reads as follows: